



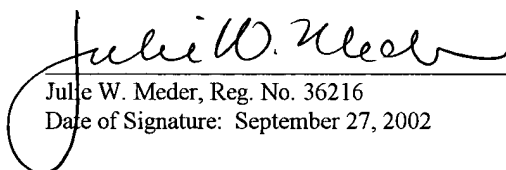
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of) Examiner Cam N. Nguyen
Michael V. Glazov et al.) Group Art Unit 1754
Serial No. 09/825,473) Atty. Docket No. 99-2051
Confirmation No. 2114)
Filed April 3, 2001)
For Thermally Stable Alumina Particulates)

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Amendment

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel non-elected claims 14-16, and amend claims 1 and 6 as follows. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121, the following is a clean copy of the amended claims. Marked-up versions of claims 1 and 6 are attached as a separate sheet.